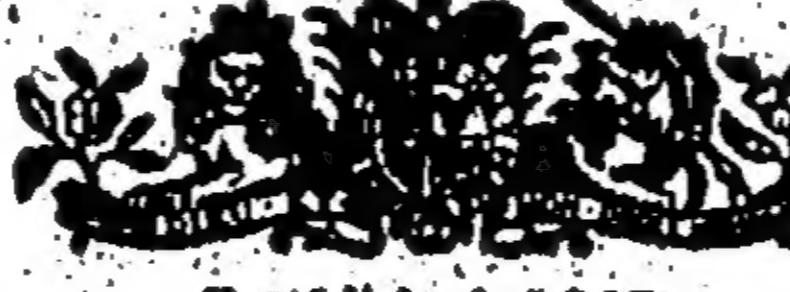


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Big Issues

THE House of Commons will reassemble today in an atmosphere charged with expectancy. Most absorbing subject for both government supporters and the Opposition is Mr Butler's supplementary budget which will be presented tomorrow. It is certain to provoke an acrimonious debate and the government's prestige may to some degree be impaired. There will be no envy of the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his delicate position. He has had to consider how tough he can be with new disinflationary measures without at the same time bringing the wrath of the electorate down on the heads of the government.

Half measures for ending what is known as the country's spending spree will be futile in their accomplishment; obviously if the restraints are severe the Conservatives may find themselves accused of following in the footsteps of their Socialist predecessors who lost office largely because of their continued austerity policies. It is an unhappy dilemma for Mr Butler and his colleagues.

THE Chancellor has two objectives to realise: stopping excess spending in the domestic market and filling the gaps between imports and exports upon which Britain's gold reserves depend. To do the first he will assuredly increase purchase tax on certain luxury commodities, although this in itself will not be sufficient.

He may find it necessary to attack certain types of income at source, such as imposition of a limitation on dividends, and he must, if only to placate public opinion, make provisions for a curtailment in government expenditure. But whatever measures Mr Butler introduces, they will not be popular. If he cuts agricultural subsidies he must inevitably antagonise the farmers; if he places television sets, cars and other luxury goods beyond the reach of the wage-earner by heavily increased purchase tax, he will incense the general public who today are beginning to feel that these commodities fall within the category of necessities.

The paradox provided by spending restraints is that at the same time the government has to try and offer incentives to the workers to produce and manufacture more at competitive world prices in order to increase exports. The deficit gap can only be partially bridged by restricting imports, and is at best a short-term palliative. A constantly growing volume of exports to secured markets is the only lasting answer to the balance of payments problem.

TWO other subjects of national importance are going to occupy the attention of parliament in the early part of the new session. One is the report on the Burgess-MacLean defection to the Communists; the other the future of Princess Margaret. There may or may not be an immediate announcement concerning the Princess, but Col. Lipton's oblique question about repealing or amending the 1772 Royal Marriage Act which is to be addressed to the Prime Minister is likely to initiate a barrage of supplementary questions, the answers to which may help to clarify the present obscure intentions of the Queen's younger sister.

There would be general relief if a definite decision of some nature were quickly forthcoming. The speculation which the reported royal romance has engendered is tediously provocative and it would be better for everybody concerned if it could be disposed of once and for all.

Foreign Ministers' Decision On Saar Plebiscite Result NO DISRUPTION TO W.E.U.

France And West Germany In Agreement

Paris, Oct. 25.

The Foreign Ministers of the seven member states of the West European Union agreed "unanimously" that the rejection of the Saar statute should not affect the smooth functioning of the organisation, a WEU communique said last night.

The council, which was to have sponsored a new Europeanised Saar, met last night.

The Netherlands Foreign Minister, Mr John Beyen, who presided over the meeting, said it was too early to make any decisions on the Saar.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Antoine Pinay, said in reply to questions about WEU decisions on the Saar, "It is up to the French Government to make decisions on this matter."

A Reuter expert said: M. Pinay and his West German counterpart Herr Heinrich von Brentano were in general agreement on their attitude to the situation created by the Saar's rejection of the European Statute, according to usually reliable sources.

M. Pinay and Herr von Brentano met tonight with the Foreign Ministers of other countries in the seven-nation Western European Union at dinner in the Dutch Embassy.

MOST SUCCESSFUL

MEETING

The meeting was described by sources close to the British delegation as "most successful", particularly in regard to the Saar.

Prior to the meeting of the West European Union, it was learned that a strong move would be made by Herr von Brentano, supported by M. Pinay, to persuade the Council to continue to accept responsibility for law and order in the Saar at least until new elections could be held.

Legally, the Council's responsibility for the Saar ended last night when Saarlanders turned down the proposal for an autonomous Saar under a commissioner appointed by the W.E.U.

But the W.E.U. commission will retain legal standing in the territory until it has completed its report on the recent elections, and forwarded it to the Council.

The plan to get the Council to keep the Saar in its province for some time is part of a strong effort by Bonn and Paris authorities to prevent the referendum's result from being overthrown yesterday, may not be willing to enter into negotiations on any new settlement.

If the Saar was politically reattached to Germany the precarious equilibrium of France and Germany in the West European Community would be tipped in Germany's favour to a degree many Frenchmen may find intolerable.

In addition they fear that the frank appeal to nationalist sentiments, which the pro-German parties exploited during the plebiscite campaign, may persuade France to let go her hold on the Saar-China Mail Special.

EARTHQUAKE DEATH

San Francisco, Oct. 24.

One person died as an indirect result of the earthquake which shook San Francisco last night, it was learned today.

The victim died in a fire which broke out when the earthquake caused a break in an underground gas pipe.

Earlier today the executive of Dr Adenauer's Christian Democratic party said the next step for a solution of the Saar problem that would be satisfactory to all, was the election of a new state parliament.

In a press statement, the executive said an election should be held to form a Government "corresponding to the will of the population, able to negotiate for and on behalf of the Saar and its people."

The statement said the party would continue to work for German-French understanding in the spirit of the unification of Europe.

INDEPENDENT TO

BE NOMINATED

Herr Johannes Hoffmann, who resigned last night as Prime Minister of the Saar, is expected to call the State Parliament together as soon as possible to offer his formal resignation and propose a new provincial government pending the holding of new elections.

The pro-German parties, led by Dr Heinrich Schneider, have asked the European Commission of the Saar to propose to Herr Hoffmann the nomination of an independent. Herr Heinrich

Welch, as the leader of this provisional government. Herr Hoffmann has already indicated his agreement to this.

The task of this government will be to push a new election through Parliament and then arrange new elections. The political parties were in agreement that these could not be held before the new year.

The pro-German parties have asked the West European Union to continue to safeguard freedom of assembly, press and political association until these elections have been held.

The further programme of the pro-German parties, according to Dr Schneider, is then to reopen negotiations with France and West Germany on a new status for the Saar.

PRO-GERMAN PARTY'S

PLANS FOR SAAR

Dr Schneider said this must be a "step-by-step" readjustment of the present economic attachment to France. His ultimate objective is full Saar membership of the German Federal Republic with generous economic concessions to France.

Dr Schneider said he was one of the first to realize that the Saar could not cut itself off from France, which was its best customer and its best market.

Herr Hoffmann and his supporters, however, hold that the material property of the Saar depends chiefly on the goodwill of France and that France, whose Saar policy was so rudely overthrown yesterday, may not be willing to enter into negotiations on any new settlement.

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Morocco Throne Council

In the above picture are the four members of the new Morocco Throne Council. They are from left to right: Si Belkhal, Si Shihli, El Markri and Si Tahar Ovassou. France Presse Photo.

Burgess-Maclean Mystery Probe

NEW LIGHT ON THE THIRD MAN

May Have Been Communist Agent

From CHAPMAN PINCHER

London, Oct. 24.

The security authorities are now satisfied that the third man—the man who warned Burgess and Maclean to get out of Britain—was himself a Communist agent, not just a friend of the diplomats.

They think he may still hold an important position in government service.

It was Burgess who learned suddenly Maclean was in danger. Yet Burgess's name had never been mentioned during security discussions about Maclean.

1.—In the early afternoon of May 25, 1951, a few hours before the two men disappeared into a few top officials in the Foreign Office and MI5—perhaps fewer than 10 men—knew Maclean was to be interrogated as a spy suspect. So that one of these few must have warned the diplomats.

2.—Whoever passed the warning clearly knew that Burgess too was a spy, working with Maclean. That was not suspected by the authorities at that time; it would have been known only to someone also in the spy network.

MI5 men believe that at lunchtime on May 25, Maclean had no suspicion. Foreign Office permission had been given to them to interrogate him. He was expecting to have a quiet!

weekend at home at Tatsfield, Surrey.

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At 2 p.m., that day, while Maclean was still lunching with friends in London, Burgess was hiring the car in which the two travelled to Southampton.

He took the car to Tatsfield and the two men left to catch the 10 o'clock boat to San Malo, France.—London Express Service.

PRINCESS, TOWNSEND TOGETHER AGAIN IN LONDON

CLARENCE HOUSE MEETING —THEN A DINNER PARTY

London, Oct. 24.

Princess Margaret and Group Captain Peter Townsend met twice tonight.

Group Captain Townsend visited Clarence House early in the evening, stayed an hour and a half and then went home to supper.

About an hour later he and the Princess drove separately to a luxury flat in Kensington.

It was the home of Mrs Lowther, formerly Miss Jennifer Bevan, a former lady in waiting to Princess Margaret.

Princess Margaret is one of the godmothers to Mrs Lowther's baby, Sarah, now nearly two years old.

The Princess arrived about 15 minutes before Group Captain Townsend, who was driven there by a man friend.

This tended to confirm beliefs that they are now working to a plan which allows the Princess to arrive at a rendezvous first. This removes her of the embarrassment of running the gauntlet of press and photographers. The Princess had returned earlier in the day from a weekend with Queen Elizabeth at Windsor Castle.

Reports are stronger than ever that members of the Royal Family are upset by the Princess's romance and would be pleased if she decided against marrying Group Captain Townsend, who is the father of two children.

People are commenting on the fact that the Queen and other members of her family are keeping distant from the Princess.

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ELEPHANT SWALLOWED HIS PASSPORT

London, Oct. 24.

Italian crocodile police today allowed an Australian tourist whose passport had been taken by a customs official to cross into Australia without any papers.

The tourist, confirmed the story, had been allowed to cross the border into Australia without any papers.

Egypt Promises Military Aid To Syrian Army

Damascus, Oct. 24.

Egypt today expressed readiness to extend military help to Syria to check any repetition of the Israeli raid over the border two nights ago when five Syrians were kidnapped and three reported killed.

It was authoritatively learned here that the Egyptian Ambassador had informed the Prime Minister, Said Ghazi, of Egypt's attitude after the Premier's return from Saudi Arabia today.

The Ambassador told reporters that aggression was expected because of Israel's unceasing over the Syrian-Egyptian bilateral defence pact signed here last week.

He said Egypt had already ratified the pact which provides for aggression against either party to be taken as an attack by both.

The Syrian parliament is expected here to be convened at the earliest opportunity also to ratify the pact.

Meanwhile Rashad Barrada, the Syrian Defence Minister, announced today that preliminary discussions were already taking place for the conclusion of a bilateral pact between Syria and the Lebanon, which also borders on Israel.

ARMS SUPPLY CONDEMNED

Jerusalem, Oct. 24.

All political parties in the Israeli Parliament except the Communists today backed a resolution condemning the supply of arms to the Arab states and reiterating Israel's demand for arms.

The resolution, passed at the end of the foreign affairs and defence debate which began last week, expressed "deep concern" as regards the armaments agreements to Egypt, and the continued arming of Iraq and other Arab states still in a state of war with Israel and professing hostility towards Israel."

It said: "These supplies of arms constitute a threat to Israel as the arms will be turned against her by her enemies. They endanger the

TERRORIST PLOT

Following the announcement today that a "last terrorist plot" had been discovered and crushed in the north-eastern provincial capital of Corrientes, sporadic raids were made by known Peronist organisations throughout the weekend.

At San Martin, north-west of Buenos Aires, a former Mayor was arrested after an arms cache was found in a private home.

A "factory" for making "Molotov cocktails" and other blasting and incendiary devices was discovered at Corrientes and regular Army ammunition was discovered in the tool-kit of a tractor near the Paraguayan border, not far from the city of Formosa.

Peron is now a political refugee in Paraguay.—United Press.

Big Police Hunt For Kidnappers

New York, Oct. 24.

A three-day-old Negro baby was kidnapped from the Norfolk (Virginia) General Hospital, Police said today. It disappeared from a nursery on the first floor of the hospital between 11:55 a.m. and noon, according to the police.

A police spokesman said late this afternoon that every available detective and uniformed man had been put on the case.

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UNUSUAL POLITICAL OPINION SURVEY SHOWS: Stevenson Leads Presidential Candidate Field

ANCIENT COINS FOUND

GOP SCRAMBLE IF EISENHOWER STEPS DOWN

Washington, Oct. 24. Mr Adlai E. Stevenson apparently has a big lead over all comers in the Democrat Party whereas Republicans have not yet swung in large numbers to any 1956 Presidential favourite.

That statement is based upon an unusual sampling on political opinion just completed by the United Press.



Mr Stevenson

Bagdad, Oct. 24. Silver and gold coins and various items of jewellery, dating back to early Islamic times, were recently uncovered at Daquq, a town about 50 kilometres (about 30 miles) south of Kirkuk.

Said Found Safar, Director of Excavations. Iraq Government said that they were found by a number of graduates of the Iraqi Institute of Archaeology who were conducting excavations in the ruins of the ancient Friday Mosque as part of their training.

"The young archaeologists," he explained, "are looking for indications of Islamic architecture of the 12th century AD (the middle of the sixth century of Hegira, the Islamic calendar) which have been completely lost in Iraq."

"They were also studying ways to preserve the minaret of Daquq's 'Friday Mosque' as well as excavating the ruins of the earlier building of this famous Mosque whose brick work and the decoration of the minaret are regarded as among the finest examples of Islamic art."

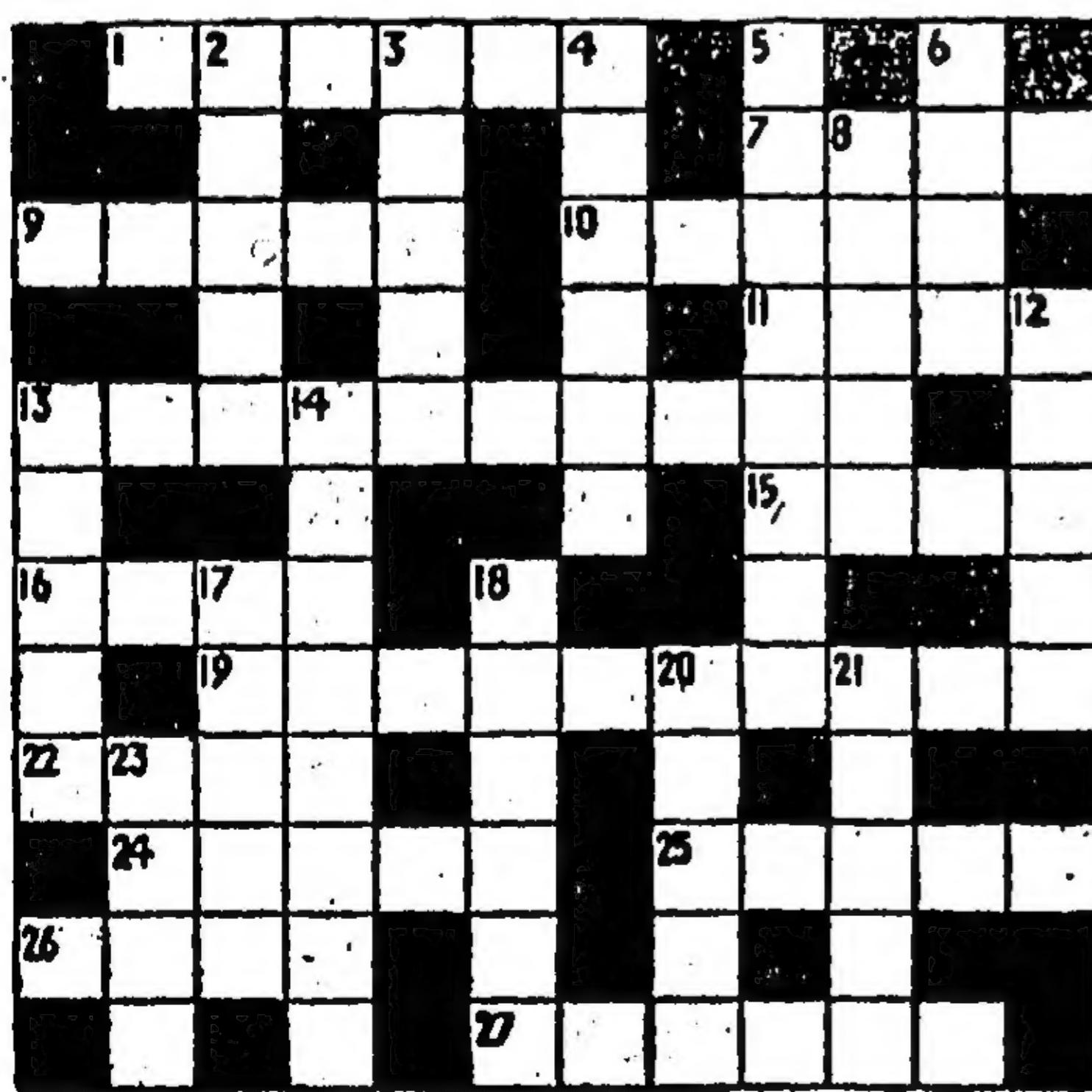
Preserved Jar

"While digging along the foundation of the ruins of the Mosque, they unearthed a well preserved bronze jar finely wrought and containing about 700 silver coins of the ninth century of the Hegira (the 15th century AD). The coins are believed to have been minted by the Tamerlane dynasty."

"The gold coins and jewellery were found in a glazed jar of the 11th century AD (5th Hegira) workmanship. Both jars are considered to be fine examples of Islamic art."

"The new discoveries are regarded as the most important of their kind ever to be found in this country. They are expected to shed light on art and architecture of an Islamic period of which nothing is yet known and which has been a subject for major research for a long time. The coins and the jewellery are now being cleaned prior to being classified."—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Narrative poem (6).
 - Tale of heroism (4).
 - Card game (6).
 - Cocain product (6).
 - Catalogue (4).
 - Limited (10).
 - Bird (4).
 - Tie up a boat (4).
 - Downcast (10).
 - Song (4).
 - External (6).
 - Scalp (6).
 - Volume (4).
 - Town (6).
- DOWN**
- Wrong (6).
 - Subsequently (5).
 - Prepare by boiling (6).
 - Exhausted (8).
 - Prejudice (4).
 - Hôte (5).
 - Doctrine (6).
 - Dance (5).
 - Impend (8).
 - Dislike (8).
 - Scenty (8).
 - Mother-of-pearl (5).
 - Barish (8).
 - Cheat (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Curio, 4 Carpet, 8 Adiled, 10 Error, 12 Beared, 14 Portals, 17 Toll, 19 Escapade, 20 Replete, 22 One, 23 Erasing, 27 Round, 29 Prawn, 30 Strain, 31 Deepen, 32 Reels, 33 Dewart, 3 Clasp, 2 Rider, 3 Open, 5 Aver, 6 Parton, 7 Turtle, 9 Deflate, 11 Rrove, 13 Assets, 15 Over, 16 Tallow, 18 Icon, 20 Romped, 21 Parade, 24 Astir, 25 Insin, 26 Genius, 28 Ante.

TRAFAVGAR SQ DISTURBANCE

'UN Flag Conditions An Insult'

London, Oct. 24. The League of Empire Loyalists declared today that the conditions in which a United Nations flag was flown in Trafalgar Square, London, yesterday were a "deliberate insult to our own national flag."

The League, which believes in the "conscientious development of the British colonial empire under British direction," was commenting on an incident at a United Nations rally in the square when a United Nations flag was hauled down and trampled underfoot by two men described as members of the League.

The United Nations flag had just been unfurled by Mr Selwyn Lloyd, Defence Minister.

Protest

London, Oct. 24. Traffic regulation in London and the city's "disciplined driving" were among the things praised over Moscow Radio tonight by Russian sailors back from their recent visit to Portsmouth.

The captain of the cruiser Sverdlov said he was impressed by the "very friendly reception of the people" of Portsmouth.

"London is so huge that it is impossible to visit all places of interest in a single day," the captain said. When the sailors lost their way they were grateful for help in getting them to the place they wanted.

On the way back to Portsmouth in the evening, the captain and his party commented on the yellow street lights, which were explained as providing better visibility in fog. The captain also praised the "cat's eyes" in the middle of roads for night driving.

Moscow Radio quoted a piece of dialogue between the British sailor, Robert Cumberland, and the Russian sailor, Fedor Makarov.

When Cumberland asked if the Soviet squadron had had a good wind, Makarov replied: "Yes — or better still — a Geneva wind." — China Mail Special.

Sudanese Trickling Into Uganda

Kampala, Oct. 24. There are now between 2,000 and 3,000 civilian refugees from the Southern Sudan in Uganda and a "steady trickle" is continuing, a Uganda Government spokesman said today.

The Government had set up two refugee camps for civilian refugees but most of them were now living with local tribes in northern Uganda, the spokesman said.

Between 20 and 30 men of the Sudan Defence Force had crossed the border individually since the August mutiny, when 150 Sudanese troops entered Uganda and were disarmed. It was officially stated. Any Sudanese troops entering Uganda are being sent to an internment camp at Gulu, where all Sudanese troops are still held.

The Government spokesman said no applications for the extradition of these men had yet been received from the Sudan authorities. Arms and equipment brought in by the troops had already been returned to the Sudan.

The Indian Revenue Department, although officially silent on the subject, will doubtless also regret the 400,000,000 rupees which the sale of alcohol brings in to the national revenue annually. — China Mail Special.

Is Austria Looking East?



Restore Confidence Bid At Geneva

London, Oct. 24. Mr Harold Macmillan, British Foreign Secretary, said here tonight in a recorded broadcast that he hoped the coming Geneva foreign ministers' conference would "make a further advance in restoring international confidence."

Mr Macmillan, whose nation-wide message was to mark United Nations Day, is now in Paris for Western talks before the Geneva meeting.

42 OUTLAWS KILLED

Tunis, Oct. 24. A total of 42 outlaws have been killed and about 50 others wounded in operations against Algerian rebels who attacked the mining centre of Brachani, Tunisia, close to the Algerian-Tunisian border on October 19. It was learned here today.

Twelve were killed on Tunisian soil and 30 others in Algeria.

In addition, a quantity of weapons has been recovered. In the attack, three French civilians were killed.

A bomb exploded in the European part of Casablanca this morning near a petrol station, causing damage but no casualties.

The blast broke many windows and damaged a lorry.—France-Press.

COLONIAL REPORTS WANTED BY UN

New York, Oct. 24. The Trusteeship Committee of the United Nations General Assembly today recommended that colonial powers henceforth submit to the United Nations reports on community development programmes in the territories they administer.

India put forward the plan for community development, reported which was approved in the Committee by a vote of 40-0 with five abstentions. The recommendation must be approved by a two-thirds majority in the General Assembly before it goes into effect.

The approved Indian resolution would have Australia, Britain, Belgium, France, New Zealand, and the United States supply the information on community development projects in the annual reports they now submit on economic and social and cultural conditions in the territories they administer.

Mr. J. Paul Sturge, PMA president, said there was no disagreement with firemen over wages and that the bed-making and other minor issues were the only unsettled items of a new contract.

"This is a form of hard-timing," he said. "We have waited for an agreement that they would not refuse to sign on. We have it with the sailors and stewards. It must be in the contract and this is a good demonstration of what happens when we do so."—London Express Service.

EIGHT MILES OF FILM 'TRY-OUT' SHIP WINTER'S TASK

Throughout the winter naval experts will be sifting reports of battle tests carried out in the cruiser Cumberland, the Navy's "try-out" ship. They will have before them eight miles of film and a mile and a half of taped-paper records.

Day and night for over four months the records were collected from experiments going on in the Cumberland, now back in this country from the Mediterranean.

"Hell, it's too early to tell. And besides, it doesn't make any difference who's President. We'll still have controls, quotas and edictments," United Press.

WHETHER survival suits which can save a man from drowning interfere with action duties.

WHETHER fibre-glass hull is suitable for naval boats. Also on trial in the Cumberland were a reconditioning

anti-aircraft gun, precautions against atomic attack and three new-type compasses.

Twenty-one officers of the naval Scientific Service and Admiralty Photographic Service were on board the Cumberland for the tests.

(London Express Service)

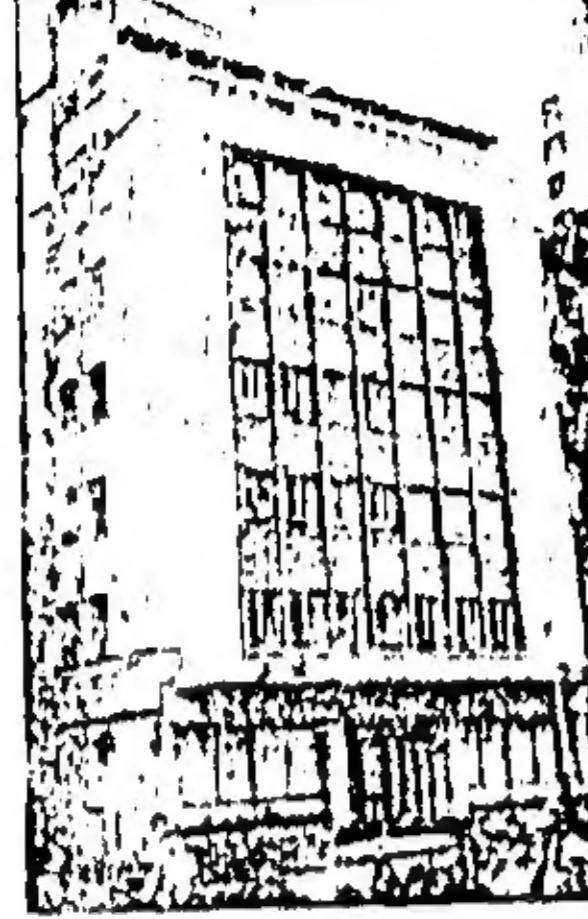
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GANGSTERISM TERRORISES ALGERIA

By SEFTON DELMER

EXCUSE me if I'm panting a bit. But I've not done any climbing for quite some time. And what a climb this has been.

With a party of Foreign Legionaries to escort me— in their green drill battle-dress and floppy hats they look just like our own troops in Malaya—I have just clambered, heaved, and levered myself up 500 ft of hostile rock.

And here I am now looking down into the black, venomous, shark's mouth entrance to a series of underground caverns and galleries which until two nights ago were quite certainly still the lair of "Alfred" and his immediate staff.

"Alfred" is the code name—and nickname—under which the fanatically anti-French and anti-West young guerrilla commander-in-chief Si Messoudi is known to French troops hunting him and the Algerian terrorist bands he leads.

A VOLLEY . . .

IT is always possible he is still here—crushed to death and buried by a fallen boulder in one of the underground galleries of this warren of caverns.

Legion volunteers have been down there trying to get him with grenades and tear-gas in a mad, frustrating, real-life version of a Third Man hunt.

For the tunnels are so narrow at many points that there is barely room for one man to wriggle in—all right for defendants but suicide for attackers.

The most courageous French Captain Shilbecht, crawled within three yards of the cavern where he could hear Alfred talking with his men.

He called on him to surrender. All the reply he got was a volley of shots from a carbine.

The Legionaries were confident they had got all possible exits blocked, that they would get him when starvation at last drove Alfred and his party out.

A Legion party crawled through and explored the entire labyrinth. "We found just traces of where Alfred had been," one man told me.

FOUND?

NEWS has just come through by radio that contact was established with a guerrilla group about 80 strong 20 miles to the south of us. They are hiding in another stronghold of rock ravines and fortified caves just like this one here at Djebut.

Those 80 men—they have already lost seven in this latest clash—may well be Alfred and his party popping up again.

Well, I am most sorry I have misled him. But this climb and all my ruffing and panting has been well worth while, all the same for the legionary has just shown me a paper he has found in one of the caves which provides the answer to the conundrum which has been puzzling me ever since I arrived in French North Africa on the



first stage of my trip around this Mediterranean sea of hate. What is the motive, I have asked myself again and again, for these apparently random assassinations of the man-in-the-street Moroccans and Algerians who, so far as the French police know, are just ordinary folk unconnected with any organisation, political or otherwise?

Must terrorists not fear, I have wondered, that these indiscriminate shootings and bombings will turn all potential sympathisers away from them?

Well, this sheet of paper which one of Alfred's guerrillas must have dropped in flight makes it quite clear that these random murders are not random at all but part of a plan.

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BILLING

FRED ALLEN, one of America's top radio comedians, sat in his London hotel and talked—gloomily—of the present state of humour.

"Humour," he said, "is just getting more mediocre."

"I wrote one original joke in all my life. It was 30 years ago and it is the gag about the brewer's dray falling on a man and the man says, 'At last the drinks are on me.'

"It is still going round today with variations, but I think I started it first."

"Progress is wiped out whole sections of comedy. Do you

know the answer to the conundrum which has been puzzling me ever since I arrived in French North Africa on the

"Alfred" and the men behind him in Cairo and in Tripoli do not want sympathy from their fellow Moslems so much as a discipline based on fear. The order says:

"EVERYTHING useful to the enemy must be destroyed, whether it is a mosque, a school, or just an ordinary house. Destroy the telegraph poles. Attack repair men."

Then the directive launches into a campaign of terror against the French and the Moroccan troops.

NO PRISONERS may be taken.

CONTINUE setting fire to the farms and all homes of gourmets. (Moroccan levies are called gourmets.)

TRY to kidnap the children of the gourmets. Caids and tribal chieftains appointed by the French must be shot down.

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SPORTS ROUNDABOUT

MID-WEEK FLOODLIGHT FRIENDLIES ARE KILLING SATURDAY LEAGUE GATES

By W. CAPEL KIRBY

"There's the reason for football's missing millions," remarked a prominent League club official gazing down on the floodlit Hillsborough scene of Sheffield Wednesday's humiliation by Vasas.

"Mid-week floodlight friendlies, internationals and representative matches are killing Saturday League gates. Mark my words, crowds will become even thinner as the earlier kick-offs come along."

Why is that? I asked.

"Because wage-packed budgets by people up to their necks in never-never payments does not stretch to two matches a week and these mid-week games are proving the more attractive."

"Moreover," he said: "This kind of thing is bad Soccer window-dressing for Saturday shopping."

So now we know!

Qualifying for unwanted title of Britain's unluckiest young footballer is Alec Farroll (Everton). Only 18, he has just had a third knee operation.

Matt Gillies, centre half-back formerly with Bolton, is finding along Leicester City's reserves, but quite football for commerce at the end of this season Wise man.

OVAL-MINDED

An inside-forward for Casual Corinthians, Surrey's opening

bat, Mike Stewart, must be the only cricketer to play on his county ground all year round.

I am happy to hear that the disturbing rumours about Leon Edwards' future are groundless. Latest bulletin—still in hospital but on the mend, Notts County could use his steady influence just now.

Ron Thompson (22), or Tommy Killock (20) could be Manchester City's reason for attending recent matches at Carlisle, where average gates have soared to over 10,000 since the return of Ivor Brodbeck.

"We haven't hit last season's form—yet. Look at the Second Division table and you'll be surprised that the speaker was Pat Beesley, Bristol City manager.

An England selector was interested in Howard Radford's goalkeeping for Bristol Rovers until informed of the lad's Welsh nationality, whereupon he promised to pass the tip off to Wales. Hence recent talk of a cap for Radford.

TIE-UP!

Coincidence, maybe, but note how clubs fare after acting hosts for the Footballers' Gold Championship: 1951-52, Manchester United (League champions); 52-53: Blackpool (FA Cup winners); 53-54: Wolves (League champions), joint hosts were West Bromwich Albion (FA Cup winners); 54-55: Chelsea (League champions); 55-56: Leeds (7).

Next year it's Bristol City's turn.

Scottish FA's letter of inquiry to Luton doesn't necessarily follow Mike Cullen is in line for honours. It was merely a postponement.

Match Postponed

Owing to the exigencies of the Service, the Kitchener versus Navy soccer match in the First Division down for Caroline Hill today, has been postponed.

GOOD DEED

By providing floodlight opposition at North Shields tomorrow week, Lincoln City help former player Ken Wallshaw, now managing the N.E. club.

Promotion to Liverpool's League side could be imminent for Jimmy Melia, 17-year-old English youth international reckoned to be in the Johnny Haynes class.

POMPEY BEATS CANADIAN



Yolande Pompey, of Trinidad, wins by a KO in his contest with the Canadian Cruiserweight Champion, Yvon Durelle, at Harringay on October 18, and so earns a chance for a world title fight. — Central Press Photo.

POMPEY NOMINATED TO MEET ARCHIE MOORE FOR WORLD TITLE FIGHT

London, Oct. 24.

Few critics will deny Yolande Pompey his chance of meeting Archie Moore for the latter's World Light-Heavyweight boxing Championship in London next January.

Pompey, Trinidad's 26-year-old coffee-coloured "forgotten man of boxing," rocketed from semi-obscure to headline news in 15 sensational minutes at Harringay area last Tuesday, when he was nominated to meet Moore.

Having just completed a workmanlike demolition job on the tough Canadian Champion, Yvon Durelle, whom he knocked out in the seventh round, the well-muscled, quietly spoken Pompey settled down in a ring-side seat to watch the man who stood between him and a World title fight, Randolph Turpin, British and Empire Champion.

Turpin, on a promise of a match with Moore, faced a virtually unknown Canadian, Gordon Wallace, and in the eyes of the critics Pompey was just as far as ever from a Champion ship boat.

But 15 minutes later, in the fourth round, Turpin lay on the canvas in a crumpled pitiful heap and Pompey found himself on the threshold of a new and glamorous phase in his distinguished ring career.

As Turpin, who decided immediately to hang up his gloves, slips quietly into the oblivion of retirement, so Pompey, who has been overshadowed for so long, emerges into the limelight surrounding a glittering prize.

RANKING LISTS

Pompey has beaten some of the best Light-Heavyweights in the World to gain third place in the ranking lists, four above Turpin. He took on all comers to prove his right to meet Turpin for the Empire crown, and consistently gave impressive crowd-pleasing performances. But producers and managers side-tracked him when it came to title bouts and this popular fighter, embittered and frustrated, was on the point of returning home to Trinidad.

Then came the offer to fight Durelle and he and manager Jack Burns decided to have one more try and his patience was rewarded.

Wallace, the man responsible for Pompey's quick turn of fortune was given little chance of beating Turpin. In fact the issue appeared to be how quickly Turpin would win. Wallace showed nothing to rate him among the World's leading Cruiserweights but he is as tough as teak and a looping right hand, though blatantly "telegraphed," served to expose Turpin's inability to continue in big time boxing.

Pompey, on the other hand, beat the man who has conquered Wallace three times. The Trinidad boxer has fought against the odds all his life. His parents died when he was 10, and after being rechristened Yoland James Michael Sonny Caus Pompey Rabathaly, went to a Catholic orphanage.

Play will commence at 11 a.m.

Umpires: Capt. R. Hall and Sgt. Robinson. The Selection Committee for the forthcoming Malayan visit are Messrs T. A. Pearce, H. E. Lee, D. W. Leach and Major P. J. Crubb.

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His first sport was football, and because he could not afford boots played in bare feet.

He donned boxing gloves at 17 and his first rewards were an alarm clock and a cake stand.

Kramer Off To Australia To Get Lew Hoad

Los Angeles, Oct. 24.

Tennis promoter Jack Kramer left for Australia today for a "face to face" attempt to sign up Davis Cup star Lew Hoad.

The brilliant Aussie netter who last week turned down Kramer's \$45,000 professional contract offer.

Kramer's surprise trip came on the heels of Frank Sedgeman's refusal to join Kramer's world tennis tour. Sedgeman, veteran professional from Melbourne, indicated yesterday he was not interested in joining the Kramer tour. He said he might form a group of his own within two years.

The Los Angeles promoter had approached Sedgeman after amateur Hoad and Ken Rosewall decided to stay in amateur ranks for another season or two. Kramer has already signed US National Champion Tony Trabert and expects to get professional Pancho Gonzales. Hoad, if he can be won over, and Kramer himself, would complete the foursome.

Kramer said he felt a "face to face" meeting with Hoad and his family might do a lot of good. He said he believed Hoad is still interested in joining the tour, despite reports to the contrary from Australia.—United Press.

I'm All For Using Pools For The Betterment Of Football Says MAJOR BUCKLEY

When, recently I named my best-ever team with ten of the old-timers in it, many of you must have thought that I feel there is no good in the game today. On the contrary, football today, if not so enjoyable, nor played at the leisurely pace to encourage individual skill, has not gone back.

Just one thing I would like to see today: One move fewer; three moves telescoped into two. There is a bit too much over-carrying of the ball.

Yes, football can be improved, and here are some of my suggested reforms:

No limit either way on a five-year contract. This would mean the stars being paid high, what they are worth, and the others low, according to their value.

And I would have a sliding scale on performance . . . and no bonuses. I have never agreed with the bonus. Why should you bribe a man to win?

On a scale according to talent and value to a club, to be paid at the end of a playing career, and never to players who constantly change clubs.

POOLS

I am all for using pools money for the betterment of the game. They should be run by, or for, the Football Association. Years ago, in effect, we handed over the fixtures to people who really have no right to them, and make no charge.

Football gets nothing out of the pools, which is absurd. The old-fashioned attitude of "I'll have nothing to do with betting" does not now obtain.

Pools and betting have never tainted the game, nor are they likely to. The money should be turned back into the game for those who play it, and those who support it.

I see no reason why there should not be Tote machines

on football grounds, especially if the running of the pools is in the hands of the football authorities.

Patrons at matches could bet on that or any other match; bet on the goals, or scorers, or on the score at quarter, half, three-quarter and full time.

We have got to get the crowds back to the game, and attract them by every possible means.

Yes, definitely, with a ground under municipal control in every town in Britain.

Soccer has ceased to be a sport as we knew it. It is now a huge industry. A successful team are a fine advertising medium for any town, and the money they spend is good for trade.

Whether they spend it in pubs, restaurants, on toffee apples, or scones, it is good for the town which they are visiting. And the games should have every municipal aid possible.

Particularly should there be adequate transport to get the largest possible crowds to and from the grounds.

GROUNDS

Every piece of accommodation should be covered against the weather, with as many seats as possible. There should be adequate restaurants. Fans should be wined back by comfort, and, of course, attractive football. They should be considered first . . . not last.

In view of the many thousands of journeys made in

MAJOR BUCKLEY

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SOCCER SCHOOLS

These should be established all over the country, as post-war Germany has proved possible. Scholastic tuition would, of course, be available for pupils, and sports scholarships established.

Proved "masters" would take the young players in hand and teach them the finer points of the game. And I would guarantee to the parents that every boy who completed the course in the school would be placed with a professional club.

Films, television, and visits from overseas players and coaches would help to stimulate and interest.

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HKFC TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Hong Kong Football Club in League soccer matches tomorrow and Thursday.

First Division v CAA at Caroline Hill tomorrow, kick off 5.25 p.m.; Jones, Armstrong, Bishop, Planck, Phayer, Bradbury, McCall, Douglas, Tomlinson, Pickering, Neal. Reserve: Mackie.

Second Division v CAA at Club ground on Thursday, kick off at 5.30 p.m.; Francis, McLean, Mockler, Kinloch, Kaye, White, Beattie, Dyer, Wake, Babbs, Miller. Reserve: Reymonds.

THURSDAY

Soccer
1st Division: Army v Kwong Wah (Club) 5.25 p.m.
2nd Division: Police v Sing Tao (HS) 5.30 p.m.

Meeting: HKFA Interport Sub-Committee, Sports Road 545 p.m.

TOMORROW

Soccer
1st Division: Army v Eastern (Club) 5.25 p.m.
2nd Division: Police v Sing Tao (HS) 5.30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Soccer
1st Division: Army v China (Club) 5.25 p.m.
2nd Division: Police v Sing Tao (HS) 5.30 p.m.

Meeting: HKFA Interport Sub-Committee, Sports Road 545 p.m.

FRIDAY

Soccer
Combined RAF and East v Combined Chinese (Club) at 5 p.m.

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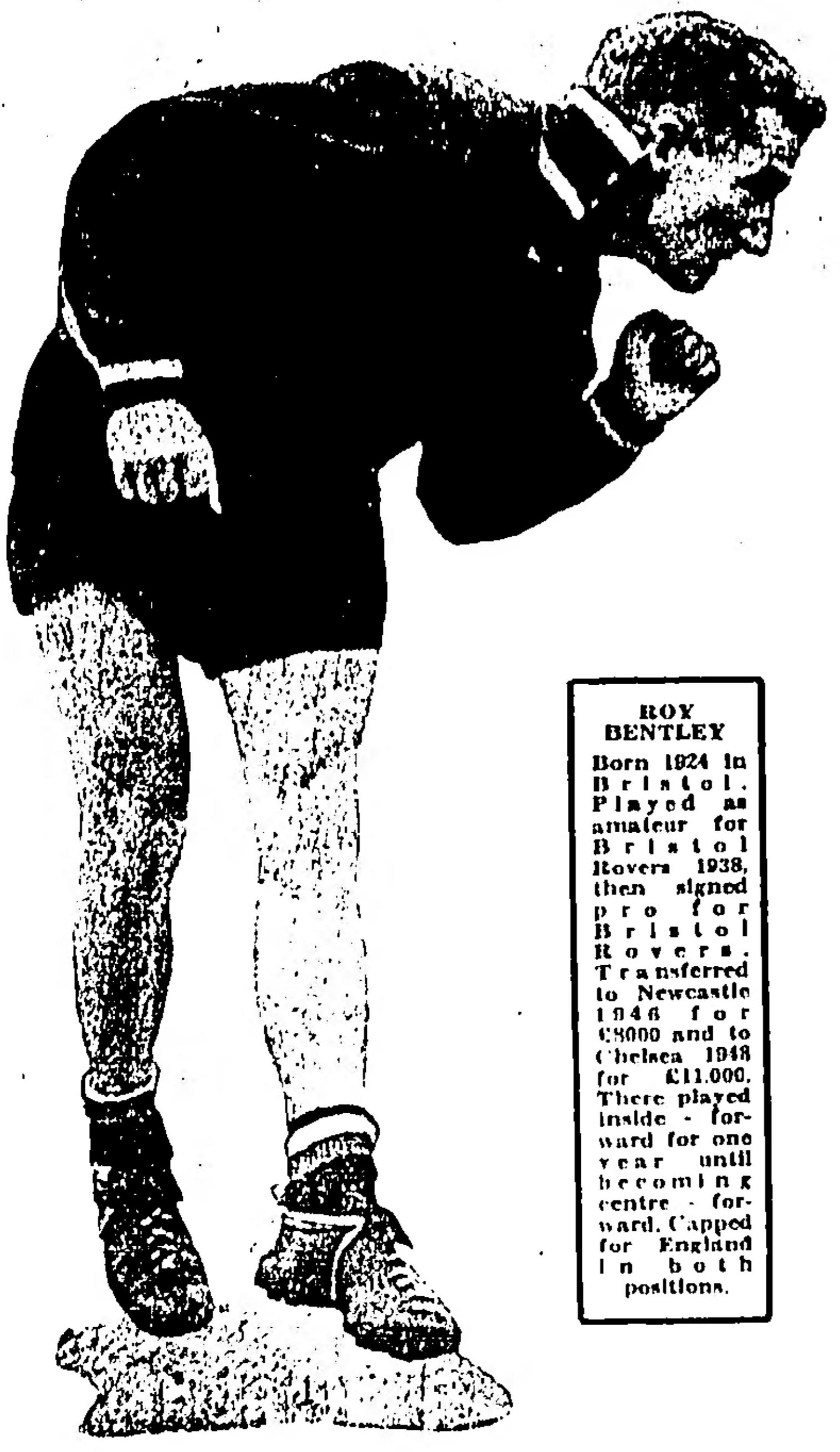
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GREAT goal-scorers like Gallagher, Dean and Lawton make the centre-forward position look easy. But they had to work for their goals like the rest of us.

I myself lose about 6lb. in weight every match, and because no one can give his best when he is underweight, I go on the field a little heavier than normal for early season games, when the weather is likely to be hot.

Why all this sweat, when the centre forward, at any rate when his team are defending, seems to be just standing? You yourselves know how quickly defence becomes attack.

At any moment a long ball may come up the middle from your own goalmouth and you have to be off with it as fast as you can. As centre forward, you probably have more and longer sprints than any other player.

THE BEGINNING

But that is only the beginning of it. In attack, you have two jobs—to distribute the ball among your fellow forwards so that they can either score themselves or make a scoring opening, and to score goals from openings made either by them or by yourself.

During one Cup-tie against Newcastle United at Stamford Bridge, I noticed that if I went deep into our goal area when Newcastle were taking a corner, big Frank Brennan, their centre-half, and his two full-backs would come right upfield too, leaving the centre open.

So at the next corner I told Bobbie Campbell, our outside-left, to move into the centre. Then, when our keeper caught the ball, I called for it and sent a long ball up the middle. Bobbie took it in stride just on the half-way line and went through to score about the best goal I have ever seen.

WASTES TIME

Even if the centre is blocked, as it usually is, bring your wingers into the game. You'll know, of course, not to send a pass behind them, if you can help. But equally, do not send it much in front because that wastes time while your man runs after it. Try to estimate where your man will have reached in the time it takes the ball to travel. Put it, not where the man is, but where he will be in a second or two's time.

D. S. "Tug" Wilson, a much freer and more dangerous open-side wing forward at home than in South Africa, has played his last game here. He is taking up an appointment as an insurance agent in Southern Rhodesia.

Wilson reached his peak as a loose forward the season before last, both for England and Middlesex.

There are plenty of open-side wing forwards about, and clearly, P. H. Ryan (Richmond), who occupied that position in England's first two matches last season, must still be in the reckoning.

Of England's three full-backs last season, N. Estcourt has returned to South Africa; N. M. Hall (Richmond) and Harry Scott (Manchester) are still playing, though it is doubtful whether either will be considered.

There is an obvious chance for some up-and-coming player. Two who may be suitable for trials are O. Grevatt of Yorkshire, and J. C. G. Hetherington (Northampton), who performed some prodigious tackling when Middlesex were doing their best to overrun Hampshire last week.

ALL-ROUNDER

Those who saw Johnny Williams (Old Millbillians) play in this match for Middlesex and throw out those very long flat and rapid passes could hardly understand how Dick Jeeps (Northampton), won the scrum-half position in all four South African Tests.

Not the least of the reasons was the fact that Cliff Morgan and Doug Baker (Old Merchant Taylors) was fly half, and that Jeeps was the more dependable as an all-rounder.

I am told that in the recent match between Northampton and Old Millbillians Jeeps, admittedly on the winning side, impressed everyone more than old Williams, his opponent.

In the England trials, however, who is going to be Jeeps' partner? If it is Martin Regan (Liverpool), then what an interesting contest there will be at half-back.

ROY BENTLEY, ENGLAND AND CHELSEA, TELLS YOU THE SECRETS OF GOOD CENTRE-FORWARD PLAY.

SPORT BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN AMATEURS—BUT THEY LIVE IN LUXURY

By TERENCE O'CONNOR

I was enjoying caviar and vodka with the leaders of Russian sport and trying to hammer out this vexed question of amateurism.

Having talks about sport in Moscow is never one-sided, because the Russians are deeply interested in how it works in other countries.

Before I could get my first question in I was bluntly told that the majority of Russian sporting chiefs, after studying the Western systems, believe our major fault

"If some people are paid and others not, there can be no harmony," I was told.

My eyes moved over to the corner of the banqueting room and I looked at that great distance runner, Vladimir Kuts.

He was dressed in an immaculately tailored light grey suit, and his wife looked as if she had just stepped out of Christian Dior's salon in Paris. What a striking contrast to the poorly-dressed people who move through the busy streets of Moscow.

HELPING

Shooting yourself or distributing and making gaps for others, you are in every attack, the whole of the time, whether you have the ball or not. Then, even if you are not up to the standards of Gallagher, Dean and Lawton, and do not gain either their goals or their glamour, you will find that you are helping your team—and that you are losing a lot of sweat.

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"They work hard and on the field of sports they prove they are men and women worthy of leading positions in the State," I was told.

"We believe it only right they should be given advantages over others."

"But surely you cannot call them amateurs," I argued. I was bluntly informed that "they are not paid for competing, which is our difference between professionalism and amateurism."

In Russia, professionalism is considered bad because it causes a rift in sport. They point out that a professional boxer in the West—particularly in America—can earn fabulous sums of money completely out of proportion to what he does.

"We believe sport should only be a part of a man's career," the Russians maintain, "and not a career in itself."

I eventually completed my discussions with them on their view of amateurism, and I can sum up by saying that the Russians consider their men

qualified to compete in the Olympic Games providing they are not paid directly.

HOW IT'S DONE

The story of Kuts is interesting because it happens all over the Soviet Union.

When he was first seen in Leningrad chief coach Gabriel Korobkov realized he could become a great runner providing he was given the facilities to train properly.

He was furnished with an opportunity to take a student's course in Moscow and so had no difficulty in finding time for athletics. A similar procedure is followed with any prominent sportsmen in any of the 17 Socialist Soviet Republics.

What happens if an athlete fails to make the grade? Like many pertinent questions I asked within the Iron Curtain, this one was evaded. I gather, however, that an athlete who fails to make the grade returns to his or her home and previous occupation.

Aleksandra Chudina, the phenomenal woman who has set up World records for the High Jump and Pentathlon, was a chauffeur before her sporting success opened up a new life.

Now she is training to become floor manageress of a factory.

The Russian view is that her exceptional ability will reveal itself in other ways outside the sphere of sport if she is given opportunities of distinguishing herself in the workaday world.

Such a system is simple enough—when the State runs everything and holds all the purse strings—China Mail Exclusive.

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No. 88 Orders by the Hon. C.E. Terry, OBE, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, of October 21, 1955.

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Bulgaria Wants Co-operation With Her Neighbours

Sofia, Oct. 24. Bulgaria wants practical co-operation with her Balkan neighbours, Greece, Yugoslavia and Turkey. But, government officials here assert, she does not want it at the price of acquiescing in the Balkan Alliance.

While recognising that many obstacles stand in the way of better relations, they allege, in private conversation, that it is the members of the Balkan Alliance, not Bulgaria, who are going slow.

There has recently been little public comment here on the Alliance and on the Consultative Assembly which its three members are about to establish.

But this, it can be argued, is significant as indicating Bulgaria's interest in Balkan collaboration. For Bulgaria refrains from condemning publicly an alliance which, in the eyes of the other members of the Warsaw Pact is merely an appendage to the North Atlantic Treaty Pact.

ON THE CONTRARY

She is, on the contrary, watching closely preparations by the three members of the Balkan Alliance to found a Balkan scientific institute and to tighten economic and cultural co-operation. But she has no desire to participate as long as these bodies have any connection with the Balkan Alliance.

Greece and Yugoslavia, the officials say, are guilty of "go slow" tactics over frontier crossings. Bulgaria they say, proposed that a frontier crossing be opened with Greece as the first direct link between the two countries but the Greek government refused to do it.

One frontier crossing point already exists with Yugoslavia near Dragoman. In northwest Bulgaria, but the Yugoslavs are said to have reacted unfavourably to Bulgarian sounds about opening a second point near Kyustendil, opposite Yugoslavia Macedonia.

The Yugoslavs, moreover, are reported to be more reluctant than the Bulgarians to allow local people from the other side of the border to enter their country to visit relatives. Macedonians live on both sides of the frontier and are often intermarried.

AIRCRAFT INCIDENT

These attitudes on the part of Greece and Yugoslavia could be attributed, the officials admit, to a fear that Bulgaria intends to infiltrate agents into strategic areas and that Bulgaria's real aim is simply to break the Balkan Alliance.

It could also be argued that the way in which the Bulgarian authorities handled the investigation into their shooting down of an Israeli air liner in July secretly supported Sofia's professed desire for better relations.

In the economic sphere, the officials state, Bulgaria demonstrated her desire to increase trade with Greece by having a pavilion at the Salonica Fair. But Greece did not have a pavilion at the Plovdiv Fair in September, though some small deals were concluded there with Greek firms.

With Yugoslavia, the next step in co-operation is to be the establishment of an air service with Belgrade. Agreement in principle on this was reached during negotiations in Belgrade in October. The service will be Bulgaria's first air link outside the Eastern bloc.

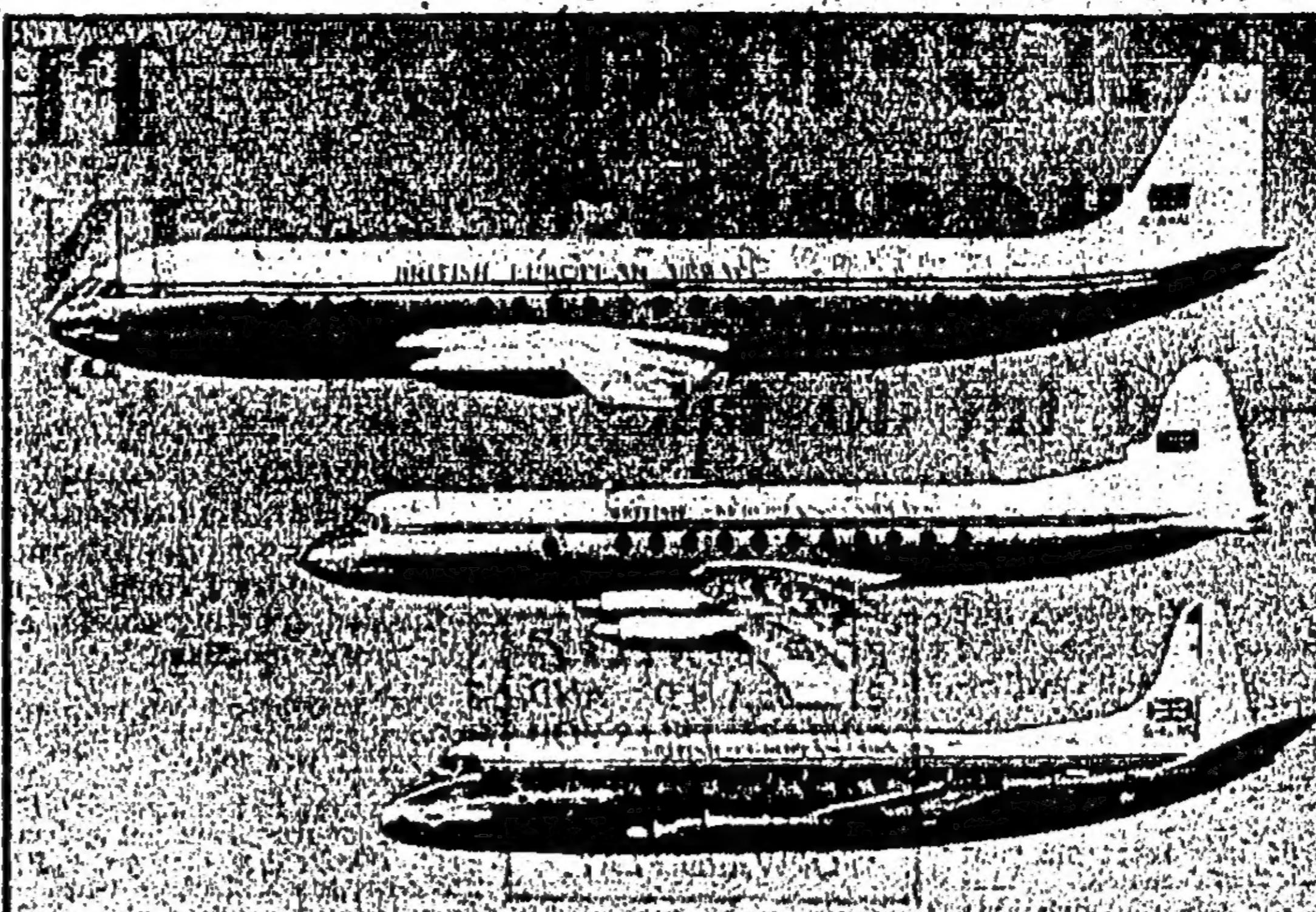
BALKAN POLITICS

One potential obstacle to collaboration with Yugoslavia is the Macedonian problem, which has bedeviled Balkan politics since last century. The Yugoslavs, according to Yugoslav officials, were not satisfied with the position of the Macedonian minority in Bulgaria, who they claim, number up to 600,000.

While neither side now has any territorial aspirations against the other, as in the old days, the Yugoslavs say that the Macedonian minority here is not allowed schools, newspapers or books in its own language, and

Katmandu, Oct. 24. Nepali Government officials have been warned not to loiter in the Royal Palace when they have no official business there.

An official communiqué said some officials seemed to be under the false impression that the old custom of paying homage daily to the King had been revived. The communiqué said officials should come to the palace only when they have official business—China Mail Special.



Work Starts On N. York Airport

New York, Oct. 24. The first pile was driven today in the foundation of a new \$17,500,000 reception building for passengers arriving at the New York International Airport.

Marshall D. Kochman, deputy Director of Aviation for the Port of New York, was at the controls of the pile driver that drove the first of 6,200 piles into the sandy Long Island site.

The building, scheduled for completion by June 1, 1957, is part of a \$60,000,000 improvement programme at Idlewild.—United Press.

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'Lemon Squeezer' Controversy On GENERAL TEMPLER REVIVED IT

Wellington, Oct. 24. The great "lemon squeezer" controversy is on again in New Zealand.

After months of public and acrimonious discussion, Army Headquarters declared that lemon squeezers—the accepted nickname for the New Zealand soldier's hat—were no longer suitable for soldiers on active service and would be withdrawn from the regular force.

Zealand soldiers to peak their hats, so that they might be easily distinguished from the Australians. Only the Mounted Brigade, which fought in Palestine throughout the war, continued to wear the slouch hat.

"Remember," he said, "it is a symbol of New Zealand known and greatly respected all over the world. It really means something to people overseas when they see it."

PEAKED HAT

It was, however, quite useless in World War II. It could not be worn in a tank, a lorry, or in battle, and was swiftly replaced, first by the Glengarry, then by the beret. However, victory proved brought it out once more, and it is still being worn by territorials.

The Army was only too willing to do away with it, but had nothing with which to replace it. The units in Korea wore khaki berets, but there was nothing distinctively New Zealand about the beret. It seemed more likely that the lemon squeezer would be ousted finally by a sort of ski cap similar to one worn by the Canadian army.

Then the trouble started. Led by a section of the Returned Servicemen Association, the public grew loudly sentimental over the departing lemon squeezer, which had been the target of their sneers for 40 years.

They were not amused when the Army festively offered any quantity of lemon squeezers to the Boy Scouts, and were coldly informed that the beret had replaced the lemon squeezer on the division's order was given for all New Zealand Division was formed, and various units of it "peaked" their hats. Shortly after the division arrived in France, the order was given for all New Zealanders to return to the beret.

WANTS PUTTERS BACK

The wife of one of the leaders of the Returned Servicemen Association told the Association's annual conference last year that it should press not only for the retention of the lemon squeezer, but also for the reintroduction of putters.

The situation had just about quietened down in August when General Templer entered the fray on the side of the lemon squeezer, and started the whole thing off again.

Now the battle has become a deadlock, with both sides waiting for the other to make a move.—China Mail Special.

Japan May Support GATT Clause

TOKYO, Oct. 24.

Japan will probably support new "interpretation" of Article 23 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) proposed by Britain two years ago to enable GATT members to take speedy protective actions against dumping and other unfair practices, according to official Japanese Government sources today.

Britain made the proposal in connection with Japan's application for GATT membership, but the proposal was shelved as a result of the GATT decision to grant Japan provisional membership, the sources said.

These sources said Japan might take the initiative in re-opening discussion of the British proposal at the annual meeting of GATT in Geneva this week.

Dispel Fears

Under the present interpretation of Article 23 the sources said, a member should consult with all other members before restricting imports or raising import tariffs when its domestic industries were seriously damaged by a heavy inflow of commodities from another member country.

The sources said Japan believed the new interpretation, if accepted, would dispel fears of some member countries regarding the effects of Japan's formal admission into GATT.

Japan became full member of GATT in September but 14 countries, including Britain, Australia, New Zealand, India, Rhodesia and South Africa, invoked Article 35, which permits members to withhold most-favored nation treatment from a new member.

The sources said Japan would make every effort to have these countries cancel the invocation of the "escape clause."—China Mail Special.

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AMERICAN ECONOMY

Interest Focused On Automation And Its Impact

By JOHN MORKA

TWA Backed By Northwest In Manila Bid

Washington, Oct. 24. TWA's proposal to extend its present international route beyond Bombay and Ceylon to Manila was supported by Northwest Airlines at a preliminary hearing before CAB Examiner William J. Madden.

"Northwest Airlines hopes to see TWA's application granted as promptly as possible," NWA's attorney commented at the hearing conference.

Approval of TWA's application would establish a second U.S. flag round-the-world service enabling TWA to connect with NWA at Manila. A round-the-world service by the two carriers was originally contemplated in 1946 when TWA was authorized to join NWA at Shanghai. This route, however, was closed off because of Communist activity in China and TWA subsequently requested an extension to Tokyo via Hongkong which the CAB did not grant.

A hearing to consider TWA's new proposal has been tentatively scheduled for Jan. 24.

New York Market Continues Advance

New York, Oct. 24. The stock market capped with a strong finish today its sixth advance in a row and its best string of gains since the market broke on President Eisenhower's illness a month ago.

Trading picked up a bit from the Friday pace, with turnover totalling 1,820,000 shares, compared with 1,710,000.

Reports of record steel production, another batch of favorable corporate reports, some good dividends, predictions of record industrial output next year, all helped sentiment. Steel shares were among the best performers as Wall Street awaited the outcome of the US Steel and Bethlehem Board meeting later this week.

Aircrafts, motors, oils, non-ferrous metals and a host of special stocks rose a point to 3 points, with industrial stocks up 2.35 on average, rails 0.55 and utilities 0.10.

Douglas Rally

Douglas, featured in a last-minute push which added more than 3 points to its price as the company announced its DC-8 jet airliner is in production. Lockheed, Boeing and North American gained more than a point each.

Non-ferrous metals ranged to more than 2 points in Revere Copper and Molybdenum.

For rails, the best gain in the leading group came in Union Pacific, up more than 3.

Activity centred in Stude-

baker-Packard, US Steel, Glenn

Martin, Jones & Laughlin and

Pepsi-Cola, all higher on the day.

Of a total 1,145 issues traded,

600 were higher, 315 lower.

New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$4,040,000.

American Stock Exchange volume was 740,000 shares.

Dow-Jones closing averages were:

20 Industrials	460.92
20 rails	122.90
15 utilities	62.61
65 stocks	62.61
45 bonds	65.53
Common future price index	150.04
Connex. spot price index	150.04
Mosby's index	150.04

Closing Prices

Alton Inc. Acy.	\$224
Allied Chemicals	100%
Allied Mills Inc.	30%
Allis Chalmers	30%
Almond Oil Milling	23%
American Cyanamide Co.	23%
Am. Mach. & Fdry.	65%
American Metal	100%
Am. Sugar Ref.	100%
American Tel & Tel	178%
American Tob. "B"	100%
Anacunda Copper	100%
Amoco	100%
Baldwin-Lima-Ham.	100%
Baltimore & Ohio	100%
Bendix Aviation Corp.	100%
Bethlehem Steel	100%
Boeing Airplane	100%
Borden (The) Co.	100%
Brown & Root	100%
Canadian Pacific R.	100%
Case (J. I.) Co.	100%
C. I. T. Financial Corp.	100%
Celanese Corp.	100%
Chase Manhattan Bank	100%

Exchange Rates

London, Oct. 24.
 New York 2.70-2.71/2
 Montreal 2.70-2.71/2
 Paris 2.70-2.71/2
 Brussels 2.70-2.71/2
 Frankfurt 11.75-11.75
 Japan 11.75-11.75
 Paris 11.75-11.75
 Stockholm 11.75-11.75
 Zurich 11.75-11.75
 New York foreign exchange rates per kilo were as follows:
 Sterling notes (per £1) 1.77
 Australian notes (per £1) 1.82
 Canadian dollars (per £1) 1.30
 Swiss francs (per £1) 24.20
 New York foreign exchange rates were not available—United Press.

London Foreign Exchange

Fadden Urges Gold Price Increase

Canberra, Oct. 24. Sir Arthur Fadden, Australian Federal Treasurer, today advocated a higher world price for gold and lower European tariffs on primary products as essential moves towards world currency convertibility.

Sir Arthur, who is also Deputy Premier, told the Federal Council of the Country (Coalition) Party that continued low gold prices prevented gold production from playing an effective part in international settlements.

He urged that as soon as progress had been made towards convertibility in other aspects, the enlargement of gold reserves and the reinforcement of earning power by an increase in the gold price should be undertaken.

(Mr. Eric Lowu, South African Finance Minister, urged an increase in the world price of gold when he addressed the yearly meeting of the World Bank in Istanbul last month.)—China Mail Special.

WORLD COTTON MARKETS

New York, Oct. 24. New crop cotton futures today plummeted to seasonal lows, suffering losses up to \$7.20 a bale before the market levelled off to make about a half-way recovery.

At the close the list showed recoveries up to \$4.25 a bale from the lows but still finished with net losses of 7 to 50 points. New Orleans closed off 10 to 30 points.

It was the sharpest break since Oct. 3 when the market plummeted almost a like amount on sharply higher crop prospects.

Today's selling, coming from foreign interest, commission houses, locals and accumulated weekend hedging, touched off stop loss orders on a mid-morning break which pushed July ten points.

Traders attributed the selling surge to: 1. Weakness at Liverpool; 2. Growing emphasis on the increasing world-wide surplus of raw cotton; 3. Uncertainty about future domestic prices support levels.

The International Cotton Advisory Committee, over the weekend, warned that it present production trends continue, overseas consumers, in two or three years, will be able to get along without importing a single bale of American cotton.

Despite approval of rigid high price supports, expressed by some presidential candidates, traders were more affected by comments of two Southern legislators. Senator Eastland was quoted to effect that he believed the next Congress will assure that the current surplus will be liquidated in an orderly manner at competitive prices.

Senator Elender was quoted to the effect he believed there was not a ghost of a chance that Congress will restore rigid high farm price supports next year.

NEW YORK

Futures today closed 110 to 150 points higher with sales of 184 contracts.

A surge of dealer buying and covering in the December delivery at the close climaxed a day of advancing prices as traders took a cue from the London market.

Moderate quantities of shipment offerings from Siam and Indonesia were reported worked over the weekend.

Locally, small factory buying included some January delivery four sheets at 38% and 39 cents. Spot No. 1 Rss were quoted at 43% cents.

Future closings were:

Dec.	43.90-30
Mar.	40.20-60
May	37.00-40
July	37.00
Sept.	37.00
Dec.	37.00

LONDON

The market was very steady with spot quoted at 35-37/10 cents per lb. Prices:

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JOHN CLARKE'S
CASEBOOK

AFTER CHURCH

THE two boys had been to church. They came out and paused to talk for a moment or two—of the service they had attended, or of the people who had been there, or when they would next meet.

One of the boys had a bus to catch from the other side of the road. His friend strolled across the road with him. They continued to talk, on the pavement. They were surprised when two policemen came to them and said: "Move along there, now, move along." The boys moved a few yards and resumed talking.

OBSTRUCTION

THES boys did not take very much notice of their surroundings. Recalling the incident later, they thought they remembered seeing four or five men hanging about on the same pavement as they.

The two policemen, trained to be observant, saw 20-30 men hanging about, decided there was an obstruction to the free passage of the footway, and asked everyone to move along.

The 20-30 (or four or five) men moved off. The two policemen said to the two boys: "Thought we told you to move on."

"We'll move in a minute," one of the boys—David—said. "You'd better come along to the station," said a policeman. "You're obstructing an officer in the course of his duty."

"Really," said David. "Are you trying to make us into a police state?"

FREED ON BAIL

APOLICE van was sent for. The boys were put into it. They were taken to the police station, charged, allowed bail, and freed.

Next morning at Clerkenwell, David, a quietly-spoken young man, and Phillip, his friend, who was on leave from the Army, pleaded not guilty to obstructing the police.

One officer, and then the other, told his story of the incident to Mr E. G. Robey, the magistrate.

ABUSE

"I'd like to know," said David, when question-time came, "why I was abused by most filthy language—a call a very surprisingly filthy language. And I'd like to mention the rough way we were handled. I thought it was disgraceful."

"Yes," said the magistrate, but I am not trying a case against the police for assault. I have to decide about the incident in the street."

"I didn't think there was a law against talking to someone in the street," said David. "I saw only four or five people near."

ENCOURAGING OTHERS

"I AM NOT suggesting," said a police officer, "that these two young men had anything to do with the rest, who were men from a common lodging house who make a habit on Sunday mornings of congregating there. As I told these two, by their example, they encouraged the others to gather again, after they had been dispersed."

"I was taken absolutely by surprise," said Phillip. "And then the way that the police got hold of my friend, when he . . ."

"This is not an inquiry as to whether a police officer exceeded his duties," said the magistrate when Phillip had finished his long complaint.

RELEIVED

"I'M not investigating whether the police were rough or used improper language to young men just come out of church," he went on. "But I am satisfied that you wouldn't have been arrested if you hadn't defied the police. In view of all the circumstances, I shall discharge you absolutely."

"This way now," the gaoler said, and beckoned the two boys out.

They went, looking at once relieved and puzzled, and the policeman who had arrested them moved over to the inspector's desk to have their duty cards signed for the time they had spent in court.

Aircraft Carrier To Be Scrapped

LONDON, Oct. 24.—The Admiralty announced today that the aircraft carrier "Impavida" which has been in drydock since last September, will be sold as scrap from Nov. 26. The carrier was built in 1944 and remained in 1945-46 in France.

ANTI-COLONIALISM DEBATE

Objections To Self-Determination Draft Article

United Nations, Oct. 24.

Britain, the Netherlands and Nationalist China warned the United Nations today that the vigorous anti-colonialism campaign of some nations could be a "turning point" for the organisation and admonished them for disregarding the denial of liberties to peoples outside the colonial sphere.

All three opposed the inclusion in the draft covenant on human rights of an article affirming the right of self-determination—the right of "all peoples and all nations" to determine freely their own political, economic, social and cultural status.

The British delegate told the have pledged themselves to grant in due time to the people of New Guinea the right to determine freely their political status."

But, he said, the article was opposed because it involved an individual right which could not be made collective and because it would concern both internal and external politics.

The debate will resume tomorrow with Iraq, Belgium and Israel to speak.—United Press.

DUTCH CRITICISM

The Netherlands delegate, Professor Dr L. J. C. Beaufort, criticised the sponsors of the self-determination cause for limiting their arguments to colonial problems. He told them they should look "over the world and they would find many peoples and nations outside the so-called colonial sphere who would like to express themselves on self-determination and haven't the slightest chance to do so."

Dr Hsu-chu of Nationalist China told the Committee: "While we are debating, many nations and peoples are being deprived of their human rights in Europe and some parts of Asia. This is a tragic situation we must bear in mind."

Dr Hsu-chu said that the UN "while striving for perfection may lose all that is dear" to it and urged the Committee to work for universal acceptance of the human rights covenant by finding the broadest possible area of agreement, rather than drafting them despite warnings that many nations—and most of the major powers—will be unable to accept them if the self-determination clause is retained.

He warned specifically against allowing "any concept of secession to creep into the principle of self-determination."

POLITICAL RIGHTS

The British delegate asserted full support of the "principle" of self-determination but stressed that efforts to transform this had created an issue which "goes to the heart of the political rights of any state in which it might be raised. It would involve carving up territory or the creation of new states."

The covenants as drafted, he said, would "place upon all states the obligation to promote this right in respect of whatever can be regarded as a people. When we consider this in relation to the world as we know it, we must recognise that there are many areas in which an essential question that is raised or could be raised is under what government a particular group wishes to be. That is the question of self-determination. It is nothing else."

He questioned how the phrase "all peoples and all nations" could be applied in practice and observed: "We have areas where there is a dispute over sovereignty. We have disputed border areas where the question is whether the people on one side should be united with their brethren on the other side. We have enclaves where the question is a boundary."

Under the proposed article, he said, any group "which claims to be a people" could put forward its claims, and he asked how many such groups at present "not insistent would be stimulated to press" the claims if the clause were approved.

NOT IN FEAR

The Netherlands delegate said his government did not oppose the self-determination clause "because we are afraid of the implication of the principle in the territory of Netherlands New Guinea. On the contrary, the Netherlands government and the Netherlands people

HK Contributes To BBC Programme



Corruption Charge

Complainant's

Denials In

Witness Box

A denial that he put his hand around accused's shoulder and slipped \$380 into the latter's breast pocket was made by the complainant in the trial of a traffic constable charged with corruption and extortion before Judge J. Reynolds at the Victoria District Court this morning.

Complainant Hung King-chuen, a garage supervisor, was replying to questions put to him in cross-examination.

The accused is Lui Yee-chung, 24, a native of Shantung. He is alleged to have corruptly received \$380 on account of himself and other members of the traffic branch for forbearing to do their duty in respect of possible future breaches of the Vehicle and Road Traffic Ordinance by the drivers of certain public vehicles under the supervision or control of Hung King-chuen on July 15.

Lui is also alleged to have extorted the money from Hung.

Mr R. W. S. Winter is representing Lui, instructed by Mr G. E. S. Stevenson of J. C. Stewart and Co. Inspector K. Bodle is prosecuting.

Yesterday, complainant had given evidence that, acting on the instructions of the Anti-Corruption Branch, he passed the \$380 to accused when the latter asked for it at his garage in No. 5 Stewart Road.

THE INSTRUCTIONS

Continuing his cross-examination of Hung, Mr Winter asked him if the instructions from the Anti-Corruption Branch were that he should hand over the money to Lui under any circumstances.

Hung said that was not so. His instructions were that if the accused wanted the money he should hand it to him.

Mr Winter put it to complainant that he put his arm around accused's shoulder and put the money into accused's right breast pocket. Hung denied this.

Counsel told complainant that his story then was this that he (complainant) counted out the money openly in front of everybody in the garage and then put it into Lui's breast pocket after Lui had indicated that pocket, all in front of everyone.

Hung said that when he counted out the money, there was only one other person in the garage besides Lui and himself.

MADE REPORTS

Re-examined, complainant agreed he had told the Court that, subsequent to Lui's arrest, he reported to the Anti-Corruption Branch each time he received a traffic summons in respect of the cars under his supervision.

Asked the purpose of these reports, Hung said he wanted to investigate whether these summonses were justified or not.

Questioned as to whether or not he received any favour from the Police, Hung said the Police did not give him any assistance. The summonses were brought up in Court as usual.

Hung is proceeding.

London Captivated By Performers

London, Oct. 24.

Fresh from its recent successes in France, Switzerland and Italy the Classical Theatre of the People's Republic of China scored another triumph in London tonight.

At the Palace Theatre it was given a tremendous reception by a packed audience of 1,400 people, among whom were 300 Chinese, including the Chinese Ambassador, Mr Huan Hsing.

For the first time the National Anthem of the People's China was played in a London Theatre at the beginning of the performance following "God Save the Queen."

The company presented a programme of dances and excerpts from Chinese operas and comedies, which captivated the London public with its colourfulness and artistry.

The spectators were struck by the superb miming of the players combined with amazing acrobatic agility. Praises for the beauty of the costumes and the taste of the production were heard everywhere.

There were frequent cheers and loud applause during the performance and the whole company took several curtain calls at the end.—Reuters.

Kerosene Stove Fire

A kerosene stove was the cause of a small fire that broke out shortly before noon today at 69A Peel Street, first floor. The fire was put out by the inmates before the arrival of a fire engine.

Demanded \$2,000 With Menaces Allegation

Allegations of a demand of \$2,000 with menaces, by means of a letter from a dairy farm in Kowloon City were heard before Mr J. R. Gregg, Acting Senior Puisne Judge at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

On trial was a middle-aged man, Lui Chuan-man, who pleaded not guilty to a charge of uttering a letter demanding money with menaces.

Two other accused, Wong Man-hung, alias Hung Chai, and Yu Hung, alias Wan Yu-hung, alias Wan Fuk, charged with the same count, were discharged when Mr D. N. E. Rea, Crown Counsel, prosecuting, entered a nolle prosequi.

An all-male jury was empanelled.

Outlining the case for the prosecution, Mr Rea said that the complainant, a widow, was the manageress of the Wah Nunn Dairy Farm, and owned about 50 cows, each of which was worth \$3,000.

One of her employees, Wong Sung, would testify that it was a normal practice to go to No. 101 Tam Kung Road, for the purpose of bringing back pasteurised milk and on July 17, when visiting the address, he found a letter dated July 5, addressed to his employer. He later purchased a ten cent stamp and posted the letter the evening following which he was invited to a meal by Yu Hung.

On July 19, the accused allegedly said that Wong Mat-hung had taken him to a house in Ngau Chi Wan on July 5, where he was asked to write a threatening letter dictated by Wong and another man. He later purchased a ten cent stamp and posted the letter the evening following which he was invited to a meal by Yu Hung.

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The handwriting of the accused was later obtained by Det. Sub-Inspect. Chan, who would testify that the original letter was in disguised writing.

Nevertheless, he found eight characters similar to the ones in the handwriting obtained from the accused, Mr Rea said.

Hearing is continuing.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25
By Air
Malaya, Indonesia, 3 p.m.
Thailand, India, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, 6 p.m.
Korea, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Philippines, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Macao, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26
By Air
Formosa, Okinawa, 8 a.m.
Indo-China, 8 a.m.
Malaya, Thailand, India, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, 6 p.m.
By Surface

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27
By Air
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.
Indo-China, France, 2 p.m.
Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, 6 p.m.
By Surface

China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.
Japan, Noon
Malaya, Burma, India, 11 a.m.
Macao, 2 p.m.
Macau, Aden, Middle East, Italy, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.
India, Noon
Malaya, Burma, 2 p.m.
Japan, 3 p.m.
Macau, 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29
By Surface
Formosa, 9 a.m.
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.
Indonesia, 10 a.m.
Japan, U.S.A., C. & S. America, 1 p.m.
Philippines, Rabaul, 1 p.m.
Korea, 4 p.m.
Macao, 4 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macau, 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30
By Surface
Macau, 2 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.
Macau, 9 p.m.
Macao, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
By Surface

Wednesday, Nov. 2
By Surface